

HUNTING HILLS WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA

(Shirley/Townsend)

GENERAL:	Encompassing 325 acres of gently sloping woodland and wooded swamp,

this area abuts parcels of conservation land owned by the Shirley and

Lunenburg Conservation Commissions.

U.S.G.S. Quad: Ayer

VEGETATION: Mixed hardwoods and softwoods — primarily white pine, oak and maple —

in various stages of maturity with large sections of shrub and wooded

swamp. There is some old-field habitat in the northern section of the area.

WATER: Most of the water within the area is contained in swamp and marsh habitat, which serves

as the headwaters for Trout Brook and Pumpkin Brook, both of which are stocked trout waters

(although not within the management area).

Beaver activity has created some small impoundments on these waters.

WILDLIFE: Native wildlife includes ruffed grouse, woodcock, beaver, red and gray

squirrels, raccoons, coyote, fisher, foxes and numerous nongame

species. This area is not stocked with pheasant.

SPECIAL

REGULATIONS: None.